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THE ADDRESS TO THE COLORED PEOPLE OF VIRGINIA.

The colored men of Virginia held a State Convention at Lynchburg yesterday, and adopted an address to be presented to the negroes of that State. In many respects it is a remarkable document. It is remarkable as being independent and treating the situation in Virginia as it is; it is remarkable as being an able address and one that does credit to the intelligence and political capacity of the negroes. Such an address is a most healthy and hopeful sign, and one that augurs well for the satisfactory solution of the race problem at the South. The address gives the reasons for the adherence of the negroes to the Republican party during the period since the war. Those reasons were natural, and were such as to warrant political fidelity to the Republican party. They do not cast any reflections upon the white men whom they raised to power during the days of reconstruction and subsequently, and the only reference to them is when the address says that the "colored voters nobly responded and raised to place and power men who grew wealthy while administering the laws of the United States Government in the Southern States." All the services which have been rendered the negroes by the Republicans are duly acknowledged, but they declare the time has come when they should think and act, and vote for themselves. The reason which prompts them to so think and act is the fact that the Republican party has abandoned them in former campaigns, and has not given to the negroes the political recognition due them on account of their strength and intelligence. That statement is the recognition of the fact that the negroes in the South have more been tools in the hands of unscrupulous adventurers. The abolitionists of post-bellum days were as different from the abolitionists of ante-bellum days as the darkness is from the light. The valiant band of abolitionists of whom Garrison was the leader, were a band of heroes, through whose veins coursed the blood of freedom, the blood that grew hot and furious when the wrongs which one portion of humanity imposed upon another were thought of. What were the men who went South after the war to control and dictate in Southern affairs, to control and dictate in the political affairs of States where those who had been slaves were made masters, and those who had been masters were made political outcasts? The majority of them were adventurers of the worst class, whose naturally bad instincts were made worse by war. They looked upon the States which had been in rebellion as legitimate prey, and they used the negroes as a means for compassing their prey. That the negroes were ignorant and superstitious, and proved pliant tools, was the fault of those who, for generations, had held them in bondage. Those who were in bondage are coming to a knowledge of their responsibilities, and this must be a matter of congratulation to all who desire the advancement of the negro race, and the peace and prosperity of the country. The negroes in Virginia recognize the important fact that much of the bitter race antagonism at the South is largely traceable to the mismanagement of Federal officeholders in the South. This shows great advancement in political knowledge, and shows a true appreciation of where the danger has been heretofore. The address makes this appeal to the colored people of Virginia, and if by them it is heeded and the good advice which it gives is followed, there is a brighter and happier day in store for a much-wronged and downtrodden race. Here is the appeal:

"These reasons" (the ones to which we have referred above) "lead us to adopt such methods and so to demand ourselves, as to make friends with those whose interests are identical in every way with our own. We therefore appeal to the colored people of our native State to join to the well-ordered condition of affairs, and in future to make such political alliances as will most advance our interests educationally, financially, and politically. We feel sure that there is throughout the broad limits of the Commonwealth a general disposition on the part of the white people to accord us our rights before the law, and to meet us on a basis of equality in every advance we make for the uplifting of our people."

The Administration is heartily endorsed, a thing in very strange and happy contrast with the fears of some of the negroes last year that the advent to power of the Democratic party would mean bondage to the negroes. They ask aid from the General Government for Virginia in the matter of her debts. This, of course, can never be granted, but it is as wise a request as the proposition of Mr. Blaine to distribute the whisky tax among the States. Both parties in Virginia are filled with heretofore financial views, and there it is almost looked upon by all as treason to the State not to be in favor of repudiation, so that the negroes not being sound on the question of paying Virginia's debts is not surprising. May there be colored conventions in all the Southern States with as broad and liberal views as the one in the Old Dominion.

THE MASSACHUSETTS REPUBLICANS.

The Republicans of Massachusetts have been in convention and have promulgated a platform that may be said to show the country "how not to do it." The Massachusetts Republicans, with Senator Hoar at their head, are certainly more competent to show the country "how not to do it," than any other set of men in the country. The platform renounces the pledges to the soldiers and sailors of the

war, and makes a great big demand that justice shall be done to them and theirs. It is a pity that the platform neglected to point out the injustice which had been done the soldiers and sailors of the war, for then the country would know to what they are entitled. This cry about justice being done to the soldiers and sailors of the war is the cry of the demagogue. Justice has been done them, and honor and gratitude are given them by all. The families of those soldiers and sailors who died on the field or upon the water have been provided for by a grateful people; while those soldiers and sailors who were maimed in battle are likewise provided for; so are those who are debilitated from exposure and hardships suffered during the war. They did their duty in the hour of peril, and the country has done its duty towards them in the hour of peace. What do the Massachusetts Republicans desire further? They desire to catch their vote with a false and lying cry about justice to the soldiers and sailors; that is all. The demand which they make for a national bankrupt law is a good one, and one that we trust will meet with the approbation of Congress. So also is the demand for the extension of the principles of the Civil Service Act, and one to be approved by all parties. These are things which the majority of the people, no matter of what political creed, desire to see accomplished, for they are things which, when accomplished, will be a boon to the whole country. The platform goes in heavy for the protection of the American workman, that subject of such constant solicitude on the part of the Republicans, and incidentally for the poor manufacturers and the needy monopolists. This is right, for protection has always meant higher wages for the workman and diminished profits for the wealthy employer and the soulless corporation. The platform urges a vigorous enforcement of the Edmunds law and the passage of such amendments as will give it increased efficacy. It also encourages the "Kansas plan" for settling Utah with law-abiding people. This is a good plan, but absolutely impracticable. How are the new colonists to obtain farms, when most of the farming land is already in the hands of the Mormons, and theirs because they have Government titles thereto? Of course the Government might reserve all unsold lands for the sole use and benefit of the colonists, but hardly will. If the Kansas plan is tried by Congress, we do hope and pray that the colonists won't be those who have been "deprived of their means by the ravages of the grasshoppers." The Kansas grasshopper sufferer is the most insufferable bore on earth.

Senator Hoar was president of the convention, and in the speech which he delivered he ridiculed those who charged the Republican party with waging the "bloody shirt." He defended John Sherman against such charges, notwithstanding Sherman's Mt. Gilead speech. It was right and proper for him to do so, for had he done otherwise, it would have been the calling of the pot black by the kettle. From the meagre report of his speech, we should say that it was an apprehension of everything and a comprehension of nothing. The country will live if the Republicans do not live, even in Democratic hands.

THE MASONIC LIBRARY AND MISS IDA E. HILL.

The friends and patrons of the Masonic Library, and they are many, will learn with regret that Miss Ida E. Hill, the librarian, is about to quit her post and depart from our city. It is just five years ago to-day that Miss Hill entered upon her duties as librarian of the Masonic Library. During this time the library has grown in popularity and usefulness none have been more intimately associated than Miss Hill. Her duty was her pleasure, and the gracious manner in which she complied with all requests of visitors and patrons made each of them think that a special favor had been bestowed. It will be of interest to the public to know of the growth of the library during the time that Miss Hill has been in immediate charge. When she went there, October 1, 1880, the books in the library numbered 3,783, while to-day the number of books is 7,010. During the first year Miss Hill was in the library, she gave out 8,500 volumes, while during the last year she gave out 16,018, and during the five years 61,227 books, which shows the great popularity of the library, and the satisfaction of the public with the manner in which Miss Hill has presided. During these five years only eight books have been lost, which speaks well for the character of those who have patronized the library. With all the books and their contents Miss Hill was familiar, and none knew so well as she the resources of the library upon any subject. If a book was not in the library, she always wrote the title down and ordered the book so that all might be accommodated. In her attention to young boys and girls she was very particular, and she always exercised the care and solicitude of a friend to see that they did not obtain books which were not proper for their young and plastic minds, fully realizing that the influence of literature upon the mind of youth is an influence which lasts for life. The Grand Lodge of Masons fully appreciated the services of Miss Hill, and at each meeting of the Grand Lodge, Mr. Diehl, the Grand Librarian, reported her good work and spoke favorably and in praise of it. In one of his reports Mr. Diehl said:

"I am not able to express in words the thanks we owe to Miss Hill for the care and attention she gives the library. I do not believe that a more painstaking librarian can be found anywhere, and I do not hesitate to say that the largest share of our success is due to her efficiency. Visitors coming to the library to consult books, no matter on what subject, found in her a ready adviser, and none left the room without having gained the desired information. Besides, she does all her work so kindly and at the same time so thoroughly, that she has won for herself the love and esteem of every

visitor, and I know that each and every one of them, and my brothers, will join me in thanking her again and again for the aid and assistance she has rendered the library."

And again Mr. Diehl said in his last report, 1885:

"We continue to be under obligations to Miss Hill. The popularity of the library is largely due to her exertions to make it a public resort of learning. Her knowledge of every branch of literature and her familiarity with our books makes her the guardian of the reading public that seeks her advice and receives it from her cheerfully. As a teacher, she is deserving of the thanks of the reading public, and as the librarian of our gratitude, I hope she will continue in the good work for many years to come."

Miss Hill goes to Mount Vernon, Ohio, to visit friends and relatives, and then to pursue some special studies. All who are acquainted with her and the library with which she was so long identified will wish her a happy and prosperous time, and that she may find as many new friends as she leaves old ones.

News comes from Washington that Senator Vance, of North Carolina, and ex-Senator Kernan, of New York, have been retained by the Mormons as counsel in place of Emery A. Storrs, recently deceased. It is said they will appear before Judge Powers in November, in the case of Charles F. Middleton. If such is the case, we are glad, as Vance and Kernan are both good lawyers and good Democrats. Whether such is the case, we were unable to learn, but we made inquiries among those who should know, namely, the local attorneys who are engaged in defending the polygamists now on trial, and the gentleman who is the leader of these attorneys informed us he could not say as to whether Vance and Kernan had been retained, but he was informed on good authority that Cleveland intended to resign as President to come out and defend those who were indicted for polygamy and unlawful cohabitation. This fact fully explains the *News'* editorial of last night on "The Star in the East." If those who are indicted for polygamy and unlawful cohabitation can get Cleveland on their side, they ought to win, for already, according to the *News*, they have the Lord on their side, and the Lord and one good man are a large majority.

The Cheyenne Chinese.

The Chinese at Cheyenne, Wyoming, have been notified to follow the star of the empire as quickly as possible, and many of the Celestials have accepted the warning and departed either East or West, although they are said to have been guaranteed protection by the authorities. The following notice was posted in numerous public places in that city, late Saturday night:

A FAIR WARNING!

All Chinamen Found in the City of Cheyenne After October 1st, will be Subjected to the following:

COAT OF TAR AND FEATHERS
And Hidden From the City on a Rail.

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THE CHINESE MUST GO!

During Sunday groups of Celestials could be seen in their resorts, and late in the evening many of them began preparations to leave the city. Monday six or seven of them carried their bundles to the depot and started east on the 10:35 train.

It is not known who issued the order. It is positively asserted that the Knights of Labor as an organization had nothing to do with it. Whatever it may have come from, it is being obeyed, and the Chinese are going. For the credit of Cheyenne it is hoped that they may be allowed to go quietly.

Mr. Hamlett, of Nashville, Tenn., was telling a number of boys that a man who drank whisky could never prosper in business, when Mr. Page, who is a connoisseur and who takes whisky as medicine, came along and called him a liar. Mr. Hamlett hit Mr. Page in the mouth, and Mr. Page drew a revolver and shot Mr. Hamlett dead. The next temperance lecture has not been announced.

The Salvation Army in London has invented a new torment. It visits the front doors of people and, kneeling, prays loudly for the salvation of the inmates of the house, according to the petition with the roll of drums and flourish of trumpets.

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